

CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF LODI
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
JUNE 8, 1977

An adjourned regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Lodi was held beginning at 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 8, 1977 in the City Hall Council Chambers.

ROLL CALL	<p>Present - Councilmen - HUGHES, KATZAKIAN, PINKERTON and KATNICH</p> <p>Absent - Councilmen - EHRHARDT</p> <p>Also present were: City Manager Graves, Assistant City Manager Glenn, Public Works Director Ronsko, Administrative Assistant John Abernethy, City Attorney Mullen, and City Clerk Reimche</p>
INVOCATION	The invocation was given by Harold Schmidt.
PLEDGE	Mayor Katnich led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.
LODI TO RECEIVE GRANT FUNDS FROM PUBLIC WORKS & EMERGENCY EMPLOYMENT BILL	<p>City Manager Graves announced official confirmation of Federal Economic Development Administration allocations to the City of Lodi from a \$4 billion Public Works and Emergency Employment bill of \$2,898,000. City Manager Graves further advised that grant applications had been made on the following projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) New Library at Locust and Church Streets b) Remodeling project at City Hall c) Installation of a water main on Stockton Street between Century Boulevard and Kettleman Lane d) Construction of a relief sewer line on Ham Lane between Lockeford Street and Turner Road

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COUNCIL EXPRESSES
OPPOSITION TO
SB 164

Councilman Pinkerton apprised the Council of the "Director's Message" by Don Benninghoven, Executive Director, League of California Cities entitled "Compulsory and Binding Arbitration A Fact in 1977 Unless - ", which appeared in the June 1977 edition of Western Cities. The article states that after fifteen years it now appears as if compulsory and binding arbitration for police and fire will be approved by the Legislature and signed by the Governor - the result - local government by arbitrators rather than the people.

Council discussion followed with Council concurring that letters should be sent to Senator John Garamendi, Assemblyman Carmen Perino, Assemblyman John Thurman and Assemblyman Norman Waters apprising them of the City's position on this matter.

UPDATE ON FPC
DELAY IN RATE
CASES

Councilman Hughes advised the Council that delays are still being encountered regarding F.P.C. ratification of the settlement agreement pertaining to pending rate cases with P.G.&E.

TRANSPORTATION
PLAN ALTERNA-
TIVES & FINAL
RECOMMENDATIONS

Following introduction of the subject by City Manager Graves and Public Works Director Ronsko, Mr. Bill Welsh of JHK and Associates addressed the Council regarding Transportation Plan Alternatives and Final Recommendations from the Transportation Planning Project Review Committee.

Mr. Welsh advised the Council that originally the committee was presented a description of ten selected alternatives. This list was then reduced to the three alternatives most in conformance with the needs and economic restraints for the City of Lodi with the three final alternatives as follows being chosen for future study.

1. The Full Service Public Transit operation based on providing service to anyone wishing to use the service at a nominal cost, approximately 50 cents per ride. This alternative was divided into a taxi-based program and a van-based program.
2. The Elderly and Handicapped operation based on providing service at a nominal charge only to those types of users who are elderly or handicapped. This alternative is also divided into a taxi-based program and a van-based program.
3. The Elderly and Handicapped Nonprofit operation based on providing limited service to qualified groups at no charge for service.

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Each alternative was then discussed in terms of having a private contractor run the service and utilizing the following four assumptions for all financial considerations.

1. Maximum use would be made of Federal capital grant monies because these represent "new" monies coming into the City.
2. Maximum use would be made of TDA funds (within the provisions of the Act) because these provide specifically for transit.
3. Other services such as Area Technical Agency on Aging Program would be used where applicable.
4. The balance of funding would be provided by local City resources. This determination would be made by the City Council as necessary.

The following tables were presented for Council's perusal:


- a) Ten-year projection of annual operating costs and available funding for the three alternatives
- b) Level of TDA and local funding for alternative transportation systems by five-year periods.
- c) Summary of Transportation System Alternatives
- d) Consolidated Financial Plan and legal consideration for a public transportation system.

A lengthy discussion followed with questions being directed to Staff, Mr. Bill Welsh of JHK and Associates, Mr. Reed Gibby, C.O.G., Manager of Transportation Planning, and Mr. Wynston Margrave of the City Cab Company.

On motion of Councilman Katzakian, Pinkerton second, Council directed Staff to work with JHK and Associates to draw up guidelines for a pilot taxi-based transportation program for the elderly and handicapped to service the Lodi-Woodbridge area only; with the City Attorney to draft an optional six month "self-destruct" agreement covering such a program; and with Mr. Welsh of JHK and Associates to return with a time and cost proposal on such a project at the earliest possible date.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Katnich adjourned the meeting at approximately 10:35 p.m.

Attest: 
ALICE M. REIMCHE
City Clerk